

Patrice Fogarty, TRMC, MMC, City Secretary, City of La Porte

Patrice Fogarty graduated from the University of North Texas as a Texas Registered Municipal Clerk. She is actively pursuing her fourth recertification through UNT. She is also a certified Master Municipal Clerk through the International Institute of Municipal Clerks.

Patrice served as the 2006 President of the Texas Municipal Clerks Association, Inc. Prior to that, she served three terms as a Trustee on the Executive Board of TMCA, as secretary in 2003, as Vice President in 2004, and as President Elect in 2005. She served four years on the Certification Committee of TMCA, Inc., with two years as education chair. Additionally, she has served for the past 13 years as chair of the Technology Committee, which hosts the TMCA, Inc., email list serve.

In 2003 Patrice was recognized with TMCA's, highest honor, the Texas Municipal Clerk of the Year.

Patrice is proud to have held all elected offices in the Salt Grass Chapter of TMCA. In 2004 she was recognized as the Salt Grass Chapter Municipal Clerk of the year, the Chapter's highest honor. She was also given this distinction by the Golden Triangle Chapter in 1997.

Patrice authored the Chapter titled "*The Municipal Court*" in the *Texas Municipal Clerks Handbook, Sixth - Ninth Editions*, and authored "*The Office and Duties of the Municipal Clerk*, in the Tenth Edition. She has also authored numerous articles for professional publications.

Patrice is an instructor at the Texas Municipal Clerks Association, Inc.'s, annual election law conference and open government conference; instructs annually for the Houston-Galveston Area Council on election laws; and has taught for the Texas Municipal League on open government and parliamentary procedure; and for the Salt Grass Chapter's Annual Public Information Act Seminar.

Patrice serves on the Texas Municipal League's task force on legislative matters regarding public information laws, election laws and open government when the legislature is in session.

Patrice and her husband, Mike, have been married 32 years. In her recreational time, Patrice enjoys reading, golf and RVing.